## Council on Postsecondary Education Committee on Equal Opportunities February 11, 2002

## New Degree Programs Implemented Under the Waiver Provisions in Calendar 2001

The statutes establish the council's responsibility to approve the offering of new degree programs (KRS 164.020(14)) and also limit (KRS 164.020(18)) an institution's eligibility for new degree programs by the requirement that an institution meet its equal opportunity objectives. The statutes give the council authority to grant a temporary waiver of the requirements of KRS 164.020(18). The administrative regulation 13 KAR 2:060 establishes criteria that is used to determine an institution's compliance with equal opportunity objectives, and for the granting of a temporary waiver to a state-supported postsecondary education institution which has not met its objectives.

The administrative regulation identifies three ways an institution may be eligible to approve new degree programs or to have new degree programs considered for approval:

- Automatic eligibility: universities must show continuous progress in six of eight objectives
  and community and technical colleges must show continuous progress in three of four
  objectives in *The Kentucky Plan*. KSU has five of seven objectives.
- Quantitative waiver: universities must show continuous progress in five of eight objectives and community and technical colleges must show continuous progress in two of four objectives in *The Kentucky Plan*. KSU has four of seven objectives.
- Qualitative waiver: the submission of information in support of outstanding efforts that were attempted which have not yet proven to be successful.

Attachment A lists the institutions that implemented new programs, during calendar year 2001, using the waiver process.

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## Attachment A

## Summary of New Degree Programs Implemented Under the Waiver Provisions of SB 398 Calendar Year 2001

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Institutions Eligible For A Waiver	Date Approved	Implemented	Type of Waiver
Universities			
Murray State University	02-16-01	1	Quantitative
Morehead State University	06-08-01	1	Qualitative
	11-05-01	1	
KCTCS - Community Colleges			
Hopkinsville Community College	04-27-01	1	Quantitative
Maysville Community College	06-29-01	1	Quantitative
	09-28-01	1	
KCTCS - Technical Colleges			
Northern Kentucky Technical College	11-30-01	2	Qualitative